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MINUTES OF THE SEVENTY-FIFTH MEETING OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE
ON EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

27 July 1956

Present

Members: Royal Wald, State
Richard Bauer, Army
John Shearer, Navy

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Consultants:

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1. The 75th meeting of the Exploitation Subcommittee convened at 1400 hours. The minutes of the 74th meeting were approved with the following emendation:

CIA: Page 3, change "emphasis in" to "increased" depth...."

2. Amendments to the draft report to the Advisory Committee dated 19 July 1956

The second draft was discussed by the members and the following changes were generally agreed to:

a. Page 1, first paragraph: Numerous changes have been recommended by the Subcommittee as a result of its examinations, and implementation of these recommendations has resulted in "a greater refinement of requirements; greater cooperation and understanding between agencies; closer working level relationships between the producers and the consumers; and reporting specifically designed to meet the needs of a majority of consumers."

b. Page 2, item (2): Should read "the number of members needing the same or similar information."

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c. Bottom of page 2, item (2): Add "scientific and technical" after Soviet.

d. Page 3, first paragraph: Mr. Bauer suggested that we indicate the increased amount of publications.

The Chairman stated that FDD will endeavor to compute how many source materials in 1953 against those available now and insert the numbers parenthetically.

Also in the same paragraph add "more and" before the word "contain."

e. Page 3, first paragraph: Now, therefore, is the time to expand the effort of exploitation of publications to "make fully available the increased intelligence information."

f. Page 3, last paragraph: Substitute "confirmed" for "verified."

Also add "greater" between the words "in depth."

g. Page 4, first paragraph: Combined with the increasing availability of "Soviet Bloc publications and the increased information of intelligence value contained therein...."

h. Page 4, item (a): Delete "approve" and add "affirm."

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██████████ suggested that a paper of this length does not need as much discussion of the scientific and technical side. He suggested that it might be better to eliminate the scientific and technical reference and that he perhaps would submit a supplementary paper to the Chairman outlining what he felt were drastic changes in the scientific program in which the entire methodology was changed.

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██████████ proposed that the reference to scientific and technical exploitation should be restated.

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██████████ suggested that he, ██████████ and the Chairman meet and redraft more concisely that portion of the report.

The Chairman queried the committee as to whether there was any objection to ██████████ and himself satisfactorily redrafting the scientific portion in a more concise form and including it in the finished paper without resubmitting it to the various members. This was agreed to.

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There followed some discussion on the subject of changes in the scientific program and the Chairman summed up in stating that in the beginning there were 5 to 6 years of selective scientific reporting. This was changed by a majority to the cover-to-cover abstracting approach. On the last review after trial of the cover-to-cover approach the committee found it wanting and preferred a return to the previous method of selective reporting in the scientific and technical program.

A review of Appendix B was made by the committee and agreed changes were made in the Appendix as suggested. The necessary work on the report to the Advisory Committee having been completed it will be written in final form and transmitted to that Committee.

The Chairman proposed and the committee agreed to discontinue meeting at this point until 28 September 1956.

The meeting adjourned at 1530 hours and the next meeting will be held 28 September 1956 at 1400 hours in M Building. Since room 2125 will be converted in the interim, the members will be notified by telephone of the new room number four to five days prior to the meeting.

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